

Delay in the Capacity Labelling Implementation Under the Batteries Directive 2006/66/EC

Statement of the European Battery Industry

The European Commission is currently preparing a proposal for Capacity Labelling of portable and automotive batteries in accordance with the provisions of Batteries Directive 2006/66/EC – Article 21 § 2.

EUROBAT, EPBA and RECHARGE representatives of the European Battery Industry are regularly consulted through stakeholder consultations on the progress made by DG Environment on the capacity marking issue.

To the best of our knowledge the decision on the methodology for capacity marking should be taken at the next Technical Adaptation Committee of May 2009

We are therefore left to conclude that most probably the deadlines in the Batteries Directive of March 26, 2009 for defining detailed rules, and of September 26, 2009, for implementation of the recommended measure, will slip by at least the duration in the delay in the TAC decision.

We will update this statement as the timelines becomes clearer in the future . In the mean time should you require any further information please contact the following Associations.

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